

**THE INSURANCE FOR MEMBERS OF THE CLERGY ORDINANCE 1980**

AN ORDINANCE to provide for insurance for members of the clergy within the Diocese.

WHEREAS it is advantageous for Sickness and Accident Insurance to be arranged by the Synod for all members of the clergy NOW THE SYNOD HEREBY DETERMINES:

Title

1. This Ordinance may be cited as "The Insurance for Members of the Clergy Ordinance 1980".

Sickness and Accident Insurance

2. The Synod on behalf of and at the expense of each parish may effect a policy or policies of insurance in respect of the personal sickness of or accident to the member of the clergy responsible for or assisting in the pastoral care in that parish. Such policy or policies shall be effected with such insurance company or companies and in such amounts and upon such conditions as the Diocesan Council shall from time to time determine.

Payment of Premiums

3. The proportion of the cost of the premiums for any policy of insurance applicable to any parish pursuant to this Ordinance shall be paid on demand to the Synod by such parish provided however that in the case of a parish comprising two or more congregations such amount if not paid by the parish shall be payable by the congregation determined by the Diocesan Council to be the principal congregation of that parish and the other congregation or congregations comprising such parish shall pay to the principal congregation such proportion of the amount as they shall agree between them or in default of agreement as determined by the Diocesan Council.

Default in Payment

4. Should a parish or congregation as the case may be neglect or refuse to pay to the Synod within three calendar months any sum demanded pursuant to section 3 of this Ordinance the lay members of the Synod representing the congregations comprising that parish shall be excluded from sessions of the Synod until the full amount has been paid or until the Diocesan Council shall otherwise determine.

### Payment of Benefits

5. Any weekly or other periodic payments payable pursuant to any policy of insurance referred to in section 2 of this Ordinance shall be paid to the parish concerned for so long as that parish continues to pay or contribute to the appropriate stipend to the person insured and any other amounts so payable shall be paid to the person insured.

### Other Persons Eligible

6. The Diocesan Council may permit members of the clergy whose ordinary stipend is paid by an institution or organisation other than a parish to be included in any policy or policies effected pursuant to this Ordinance provided that the Diocesan Council is satisfied as to the arrangements made for the institution or organisation to pay to the Synod the appropriate premium.

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#### *Revisions under the Ordinances Publication Ordinance 2004*

- (1) Title and Preamble – “Clergymen” deleted and “members of the clergy” substituted in three places
- (2) Section 1 – “Clergymen” deleted and “members of the clergy” substituted
- (3) Section 2 – “clergyman” deleted and “member of the clergy” substituted
- (4) Section 4 – “synodsmen” deleted and “members of the Synod” substituted
- (5) Section 6 – “clergymen” deleted and “members of the clergy” substituted